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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Commissioner:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action dated October 16, 2008, and requests that the Examiner continue examination in view of the Claim Listing and Remarks beginning on pages 2 and 4, respectively. This response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).